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1. Japanese Unexamined Patent Application Publication No. 10-269079, published September 9, 1998 with English Abstract.
2. Japanese Unexamined Patent Application Publication No. 11-194940, published July 21, 1999 with English Abstract.

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